

## NEW RIDER INFORMATION / St James Pony Club info

For those wishing to ride at Resurrection Ranch., (Updated Feb 1, 2022)

Location: Vicky Campbell's Resurrection Ranch in Oswego is less than 1 mile west of Rt 30, on Rance/ 111<sup>th</sup>. Officially, our address is 65 Rance Rd but you may miss the mailbox, so **look on north side of Rance**, just north of Arranmore's Polo Farm, **our big WHITE indoor arena is hard to miss**. Park by stable!

**Our main goal is to be safe while having FUN learning riding skills that will last a lifetime.**

**We are a family- friendly farm with 35 acres of gorgeous outdoor riding, and a HUGE indoor arena!**

What to wear/bring:

- Riding helmet (if you don't own one, borrow ours until you get your own)...You can purchase a helmet at Farm and Fleet, The Riding Store in Woodridge, or Horse.com. Size? Take your head circumference, divide by 3.14 and round to nearest whole number). Bike helmets are not safe for horse riding.
- Long pants and water bottle.
- Shoe with a low heel ("paddock boots"), no tennis shoes, flat shoes, or shoes with big tread on the bottom: unsafe if slip through the stirrup
- In colder weather, wear layers, ear warmer, and warm gloves. LAYERS!! Gloves are good year round.

New riders start in the western saddle for comfort and safety (I have instructed ages 7 to 77) and down the road, riding English and/or jumping is an option... We have Lots of fun and safety is #1!

Ride Times: I send a monthly email with available times. Lesson lasts an hour-ish. Let me know your best time to ride! Riding horses is great exercise for the rider too, plus great therapy!

Cost : \$60/ ride for a single rider, (many places charge \$50 for a 30 min lesson). If you can ride 4 times in the month, it's \$230 for a 4 ride package. 8 times in the month is popular for the avid rider's packages, and is \$420 (buy 7 and get one free!). Any rides not used up (in the 4 or 8 ride packages) by the end of the month are forfeited. Repetition and consistency will help the rider develop skills to progress.

**Cancellation policy: If < 24 hours from ride time, unless due to illness, you will be charged for the lesson.**

My Experience: I have been riding horses since I was 6 years old! I praise the Lord that each year is better than the last! I have ridden english, western, bareback, trail riding, barrel racing, show jumping, eventing, and focusing on dressage now. Our 21 yr old daughter, Melissa, youngest of 7 kids, is an excellent instructor as well, earning her "B" and "HB" level in Pony Club! I am currently a "C2" and "HA" in St James Pony Club.

We so much enjoy sharing the love of horses with anyone interested and St James Pony Club is a great start to your horse education also! My husband, John, and I both flew jets as instructor pilots in the Air Force, and homeschooled our 7 kids for 16 years through elementary school. Our hope is to be a positive witness and role model for all! Excited to meet you soon! God's blessings to you!

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